

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING
TITLE 12. NATURAL RESOURCES
CHAPTER 4. GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

PREAMBLE

- 1. Article, Part, or Section Affected (as applicable) Rulemaking Action**
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| R12-4-108 | Amend |
| R12-4-301 | Renumber |
| R12-4-301 | New Section |
| R12-4-318 | Amend |
| R12-4-321 | Renumber |
| R12-4-321 | Amend |
- 2. Citations to the agency's statutory authority to include the authorizing statute (general) and the implementing statute (specific):**
- Authorizing statute: A.R.S. § 17-231(A)(1)
- Implementing statute: A.R.S. §§ 13-3107, 13-3108, 17-102, 17-231(A)(1), 17-231(A)(3), 17-231(B)(2), 17-234, 17-235, 17-301, 17-305, 17-307, 17-333, 17-346, and 17-371(D)
- 3. Citations to all related notices published in the *Register* as specified in R1-1-409(A) that pertain to the record of the proposed rule:**
- Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening: 17 A.A.R. (*to be filled in by the Register Editor*), December 30, 2011
- 4. The agency's contact person who can answer questions about the rulemaking:**
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- Please visit the AZGFD web site to track progress of this rule and any other agency rulemaking matters at http://www.azgfd.gov/inside_azgfd/rules/rulemaking_updates.shtml.
- 5. An agency's justification and reason why the rule should be made, amended, repealed, or renumbered, to include an explanation about the rulemaking:**
- The Commission proposes to amend R12-4-108, R12-4-301, and R12-4-318 and adopt a new rule, R12-4-321, to implement recent legislative amendments to A.R.S. §§13-3107 and 13-3108, which transferred the authority to regulate the use of firearms for the take wildlife within municipal boundaries to the Arizona Game and Fish Commission. The Commission submits this rulemaking to the Secretary of State's office in accordance with the

exemption authorized under item #4 of Executive Order 2011-05 State Regulatory Rulemaking Moratorium.

Legislative amendments to A.R.S. §§13-3107 and 13-3108 transferred the authority to regulate the use of firearms for the take wildlife within municipal boundaries to the Arizona Game and Fish Commission. Laws 2010, Second Regular Session, Chapter 19 modified statutory prohibitions pertaining to the firearms related ordinances, rules or taxes that may be enacted or enforced by a political subdivision of the state and retroactively nullified any firearms related ordinance or rule that is inconsistent with, or more restrictive than, state law. Statutory amendments also prohibit political subdivisions from enacting any ordinance or rule that limits the possession of firearms in parks or preserves to persons possessing a concealed carry weapons permit. In addition, Laws 2011, First Regular Session, Chapter 349 prohibits political subdivisions from limiting the lawful taking of wildlife during an open season established by the Commission unless the ordinance, rule or regulation is consistent with statute and Commission rules and Orders.

The Commission divides the state into 47 units for the purpose of managing wildlife. These units are known as game management units or hunt areas and are composed of state, federal, military, and private land. These units define legally huntable areas and are essential to the Department's licensing, hunt permit tag and law enforcement operations. Hunters purchase permit tags and non-permit-tags (tag) that authorize the individual to hunt in a game management unit, portion of a unit, or group of units that is open to hunting and rely on the unit boundary descriptions provided in R12-4-108.

The Department's Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Unit, in consultation with regional personnel, conducted a review of the existing Management Units. The GIS Unit compared existing land ownership and land use documents to the Department's GIS datasets. As a result of the new legislation and the internal review of game management units, the Commission proposes to amend R12-4-108 to update landmark references.

The Commission proposes to renumber R12-4-301 to R12-4-321 and establish a new rule providing definitions for terms used within Article 3.

The Commission proposes to amend R12-4-318 to establish a limited weapon pneumatic season and a limited weapon hand or hand-held implement season, when prescribed under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted. These amendments are proposed to allow an individual to lawfully take small game and reptiles in a city or county park or preserve. In addition, the Commission also proposes the following amendments to R12-4-318: including falconry as a method of take during an archery-only season as this request has been asked for by public stakeholders during hunt guideline discussions; exempting falconers hunting with exotic raptors from falconry license established under R12-4-422 to bring the rule into alignment with statutory amendments to A.R.S. § 17-236; expanding the authorization to possess a personal protection handgun for personal protection to individuals participating in limited weapon, limited weapon rimfire, limited weapon shotgun, limited weapon shotgun shooting shot, limited weapon pneumatic, limited weapon hand or hand-held, falconry-only, and restricted seasons to increase consistency between archery-only, muzzleloader-only, and other limited weapon seasons within the rule; establishing a "restricted" season in which an individual may use any approved method or device authorized under R12-4-304, except pursuit with dogs to ensure harvest objectives for bear and mountain lion are not exceeded; and clarifying Junior-only hunt age requirements to increase opportunity for

those hunters nearing their 18th birthday and reduce confusion regarding eligibility for Juniors-only hunts.

The Commission proposes to renumber and amend R12-4-301. The new number is R12-4-321 and the Commission proposes to amend the rule to establish that all city and county parks and preserves are closed to hunting, unless authorized by Commission Order. The rule further states that a city or county may, when not in conflict with a Commission Order, restriction hunting or trapping within a 1/4 mile of certain populated areas, require an individual to declare their intention to hunt and take wildlife only in city parks when they are open to visitors.

6. A reference to any study relevant to the rule that the agency reviewed and proposes to either rely on or not rely on in its evaluation of or justification for the rule, where the public may obtain or review each study, all data underlying each study, and any analysis of each study and other supporting material:

The agency did not rely on any study in its evaluation of or justification for the rule.

7. A showing of good cause why the rulemaking is necessary to promote a statewide interest if the rulemaking will diminish a previous grant of authority of a political subdivision of this state:

Not applicable

8. The preliminary summary of the economic, small business, and consumer impact:

The Commission anticipates the proposed rulemaking will benefit the regulated community and the Department by replacing archaic information and aligning the rule with statute. In addition, the rulemaking will not impose increased monetary or regulatory costs on other state agencies, political subdivisions of this state, persons, or individuals so regulated.

9. The agency's contact person who can answer questions about the economic, small business, and consumer impact statement:

See item #4.

10. The time, place, and nature of the proceedings to make, amend, repeal, or renumber the rule, or if no proceeding is scheduled, where, when, and how persons may request an oral proceeding on the proposed rule:

Date: March 9, 2012

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Location: 5000 W Carefree Highway
Phoenix, Arizona 85086

Close of record: March 9, 2012

11. All agencies shall list other matters prescribed by statute applicable to the specific agency or to any specific rule or class of rules. Additionally, an agency subject to Council review under A.R.S. §§ 41-1052 and 41-1055 shall respond to the following questions:

a. Whether the rule requires a permit, whether a general permit is used, and if not, the reason why a general permit is not used:

The rule does not require a general permit.

b. Whether a federal law is applicable to the subject of the rule, whether the rule is more stringent than

federal law, and if so, citation to the statutory authority to exceed the requirements of federal law:

Federal law is not applicable to the subject of the rule.

c. Whether a person submitted an analysis to the agency that compares the rule's impact of the competitiveness of business in this state to the impact on business in other states:

The agency has not received an analysis that compares the rule's impact of competitiveness of business in this state to the impact on business in other states.

12. A list of any incorporated by reference material as specified in A.R.S. § 41-1028 and its location in the rules:

Not applicable

13. The full text of the rules follows:

TITLE 12. NATURAL RESOURCES
CHAPTER 4. GAME AND FISH COMMISSION
ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS AND GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section

R12-4-108. Management Unit Boundaries

ARTICLE 3 TAKING AND HANDLING OF WILDLIFE

Section

R12-4-301. Definitions

R12-4-318. Seasons for Lawfully Taking Wild Mammals, Birds, and Reptiles

~~R12-4-301~~ R12-4-321. Restrictions for Taking Wildlife in City Parks, City Preserves, Maricopa County Parks, and County Preserves

ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS AND GENERAL PROVISIONS

R12-4-108. Management Unit Boundaries

A. No change

1. No change
2. No change
3. No change
4. No change

B. The state is divided into units for the purpose of managing wildlife. Each unit is identified by a number, or a number and letter. For the purpose of this Section, Indian reservation land contained within any management unit is not under the jurisdiction of the Arizona Game and Fish Commission or the Arizona Game and Fish Department. ~~See R12-4-117.~~

C. Management unit descriptions are as follows:

Unit 1 - Beginning at the New Mexico state line and U.S. Hwy 60; west on U.S. Hwy 60 to Vernon Junction; southerly on the Vernon-McNary road (FR 224) to the ~~Fort~~ White Mountain Apache Indian Reservation boundary; east and south along the reservation boundary to Black River; east and north along Black River to the east fork of Black River; north along the east fork to Three Forks; and continuing north and east on the Three Forks-Williams Valley-Alpine Rd. (FR 249) to U.S. Hwy 180; east on U.S. Hwy 180 to the New Mexico state line; north along the state line to U.S. Hwy 60.

No change

No change

No change

No change

Unit 3B - Beginning at Snowflake; southerly along AZ Hwy 77 to U.S. Hwy 60; southwesterly along U.S. Hwy 60 to the ~~Fort~~ White Mountain Apache Indian Reservation boundary; easterly along the reservation boundary to the Vernon-McNary Rd. (FR 224); northerly along the Vernon-McNary Rd. to U.S. Hwy 60; west on U.S. Hwy 60 to AZ Hwy 61; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 61 to AZ Hwy 180A; northerly on AZ Hwy 180A to Concho-Snowflake Rd.; westerly on the Concho-Snowflake Rd. to Snowflake.

No change

Unit 4A -- Beginning on the boundary of the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest with the Coconino National Forest at the Mogollon Rim; north along this boundary (Leonard Canyon) to East Clear Creek; northerly along East Clear Creek to AZ Hwy 99; north on AZ Hwy 99 to AZ Hwy 87; north on AZ Hwy 87 to Business I-40 (3rd St.); west on Business I-40 (3rd St.) to Hipkoe Dr.; northerly on Hipkoe Dr. to I-40; west on I-40 to mp 221.4; north to the southwest corner of the Navajo Indian Reservation Boundary; east along the Navajo Indian Reservation Boundary to the Little Colorado River; southerly along the Little Colorado River to Chevelon Creek; southerly along Chevelon Creek to Woods Canyon; westerly along Woods Canyon to Woods Canyon Lake Rd; ~~southeasterly~~ westerly and southerly along the Woods Canyon

Lake Rd. to the Mogollon Rim; westerly along the Mogollon Rim to the boundary of the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest with the Coconino National Forest.

Unit 4B -- Beginning at AZ Hwy 260 and the Sitgreaves National Forest boundary with the Tonto National Forest; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 260 to AZ Hwy 277; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 277 to Hwy 377; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 377 to AZ Hwy 77; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 77 to I-40 Exit 286; northeasterly along the westbound lane of I-40 to Exit 292; north on AZ Hwy 77 to the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary; west along the reservation boundary to the Little Colorado River; southerly along the Little Colorado River to Chevelon Creek; southerly along Chevelon Creek to Woods Canyon; westerly along Woods Canyon to Woods Canyon Lake Rd.; westerly and southerly along the Woods Canyon Lake Rd. to the Mogollon Rim; easterly along the Mogollon Rim to AZ Hwy 260.

No change

No change

Unit 6A - Beginning at the junction of U.S. Hwy 89A and FR 237; southwesterly on U.S. Hwy 89A to the Verde River; southeasterly along the Verde River to Childs; easterly on the Childs-Strawberry Rd. to Fossil Creek north on the creek to Fossil Springs; southeasterly on FS trail 18 (Fossil Spring Trail) to the top of the rim; northeasterly on the rim to Nash Point on the Tonto-Coconino National Forest boundary; easterly along this boundary to AZ Hwy 87; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 87 to Lake Mary-Clint's Well Rd. (FH3); northwesterly on FH3 to FR 132; southwesterly on FR 132 to FR 296; southwesterly on FR 296 to FR 296A; southwesterly on FR 296A to FR 132; northwesterly on FR 132 to FR 235; westerly on FR 235 to Priest Draw; southwesterly along the bottom of Priest Draw to FR 235; westerly on FR 235 to FR 235A; westerly on FR 235A to FR 235; southerly on FR 235 to FR 235K; northwesterly on FR 235K to FR 700; northerly on FR 700 to Mountaineer Rd.; west on Mountaineer Rd. to FR 237; westerly on FR 237 to U.S. Hwy 89A except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Yavapai-Apache Nation.

No change

Unit 7 - Beginning at the junction of AZ Hwy 64 and I-40 (in Williams); easterly on I-40 to FR 171 (mp 184.4 on I-40); northerly on FR 171 to the Transwestern Gas Pipeline; easterly along the Transwestern Gas Pipeline to FR 420 (Schultz Pass Rd.); northeasterly on FR 420 to U.S. Hwy 89; ~~north on~~ across U.S. Hwy 89 to FR 545; east on FR 545 to the Sunset Crater National Monument; easterly along the southern boundary of the Sunset Crater National Monument to FR 545; east on FR 545 to the 345 KV transmission lines 1 and 2; southeasterly along the power lines to I-40 (mp 212 on I-40); east on I-40 to mp 221.4; north to the southwest corner of the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary; northerly and westerly along the reservation boundary to the Four Corners Gas Line; southwesterly along the Four Corners Gas Line to U.S. Hwy 180; west on U.S. Hwy 180 to AZ Hwy 64; south on AZ Hwy 64 to I-40.

No change

No change

No change

Unit 11M - Beginning at the junction of Lake Mary-Clint's Well Rd. (FH3) and Walnut ~~Creek~~ Canyon (mp

337.5 on FH3); northeasterly along Walnut ~~Creek~~ Canyon to the Walnut Canyon National Monument boundary; northeasterly along the northern boundary of the Walnut Canyon National Monument to Walnut ~~Creek~~ Canyon; northeasterly along Walnut ~~Creek~~ Canyon to I-40 (mp 210.2); east on I-40 to the 345 KV transmission lines 1 and 2 (mp 212 on I-40); north and northeasterly along the power line to FR 545 (Sunset Crater Rd.); west along FR 545 to the Sunset Crater National Monument boundary; westerly along the southern boundary of the Sunset Crater National Monument to FR 545; west on FR 545 to U.S. Hwy 89; ~~south-on~~ across U.S. Hwy 89 to FR 420 (Schultz Pass Rd.); southwesterly on FR 420 to the Transwestern Gas Pipeline; westerly along the Transwestern Gas Pipeline to FR 171; south on FR 171 to I-40 (mp 184.4 on I-40); east on I-40 to a point just north of the eastern boundary of Camp Navajo (mp 188.5 on I-40); south along the eastern boundary of Camp Navajo to the southeast corner of Camp Navajo; southeast approximately 1/3 mile to the forest road in section 33; southeasterly along the forest road to FR 231 (Woody Mountain Rd.); easterly on FR 231 to FR 533; southerly on FR 533 to U.S. Hwy 89A; southerly on U.S. Hwy 89A to FR 237; northeasterly on FR 237 to Mountaineer Rd.; easterly on Mountaineer Rd. to FR 700; southerly on FR 700 to FR 235K; southeasterly on FR 235K to FR 235; northerly on FR 235 to FR 235A; easterly on FR 235A to FR 235; easterly on FR 235 to Priest Draw; northeasterly along the bottom of Priest Draw to FR 235; easterly on FR 235 to FR 132; southeasterly on FR 132 to FR 296A; northeasterly on FR 296A to FR 296; northeasterly on FR 296 to FR 132; northeasterly on FR 132 to FH3; southeasterly on FH3 to Walnut ~~Creek~~ Canyon (mp 337.5 on FH3).

No change

No change

Unit 13A -- Beginning on the western edge of the Hurricane Rim at the Utah state line; southerly along the western edge of the Hurricane Rim to Mohave County Rd. 5 (the Mt. Trumbull Rd.); west along Mohave County Rd. 5 to the town of Mt. Trumbull (Bundyville); south from the town of Mt. Trumbull (Bundyville) on Mohave County Rd. 257 to BLM Rd. 1045; south on BLM Rd. 1045 to where it crosses Cold Spring Wash near Cold Spring Wash Pond; south along the bottom of Cold Spring Wash to Whitmore Wash; southerly along the bottom of Whitmore Wash to the Colorado River; easterly along the Colorado River to Kanab Creek; northerly along Kanab Creek to the Utah state line; west along the Utah state line to the western edge of the Hurricane Rim; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Kaibab Band of Paiute Indians.

Unit 13B -- Beginning on the western edge of the Hurricane Rim at the Utah state line; southerly along the western edge of the Hurricane Rim to Mohave County Rd. 5 (the Mt. Trumbull Rd.); west along Mohave County Rd. 5 to the town of Mt. Trumbull (Bundyville); south from the town of Mt. Trumbull (Bundyville) on Mohave County Rd. 257 to BLM Rd. 1045; south on BLM Rd. 1045 to where it crosses Cold Spring Wash near Cold Spring Wash Pond; south along the bottom of Cold Spring Wash to Whitmore Wash; southerly along the bottom of Whitmore Wash to the Colorado River; westerly along the Colorado River to the Nevada state line; north along the Nevada state line to the Utah state line; east along the Utah state line to the western edge of the Hurricane Rim.

No change

No change

No change

No change

Unit 16A - Beginning at Kingman Exit 48 on I-40; south and west on I-40 to ~~AZ U.S.~~ AZ U.S. Hwy 95 (Exit 9); southerly on ~~AZ U.S.~~ AZ U.S. Hwy 95 to the Bill Williams River ~~Rd. (milepost 161.4);~~ easterly along the Bill Williams ~~River Rd. to Mineral Wash Rd.; continuing easterly along the Bill Williams~~ and Santa Maria rivers to U.S. Hwy 93; north and west on U.S. Hwy 93 and I-40 to Kingman (Exit 48).

No change

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Unit 19B -- Beginning at the intersection of U.S. Hwy 89 and AZ Hwy 69 ~~northwesterly through Prescott, west~~ on Gurley St. to Grove Ave.; north on the Grove Ave. to Miller Valley Rd.; northwest on the Miller Valley Rd. to Iron Springs Rd.; northwest on the Iron Springs Rd. to the junction of Williamson Valley Rd. and Iron Springs Rd.; northerly on the Williamson Valley-Prescott-Seligman Rd. (FR 6, Williamson Valley Rd.) to AZ Hwy 66 at Seligman; east on Crookton Rd. (AZ Hwy 66) to I-40 (Exit 139); east on I-40 to U.S. Hwy 89; south on U.S. Hwy 89 to the junction with AZ Hwy 69; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Yavapai-Prescott Tribe.

Unit 20A -- Beginning at the intersection of U.S. Hwy 89 and AZ Hwy 69; ~~northwest~~ west on Gurley St. to Grove Ave.; north on the Grove Ave. to Miller Valley Rd., northwest on the Miller Valley Rd. to Iron Springs Rd., west and south on the Iron Springs-Skull Valley-Kirkland Junction Rd. to U.S. Hwy 89; continue south and easterly on the Kirkland Junction-Wagoner-Crown King-Cordes Rd. to Cordes, from Cordes southeast to I-17 (Exit 259); north on the southbound lane of I-17 to AZ Hwy 69; northwest on AZ Hwy 69 to junction of U.S. Hwy 89 at Prescott; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Yavapai-Prescott Tribe.

No change

No change

No change

Unit 22 -- Beginning at the junction of the Salt and Verde Rivers; north along the Verde River to Childs; easterly on the Childs-Strawberry Rd. to Fossil Creek; north on the creek to Fossil Springs; southeasterly on FS trail 18 (Fossil Spring Trail) to the top of the rim; northeasterly on the rim to Nash Point on the Tonto-Coconino National Forest boundary along the Mogollon Rim; easterly along this boundary to the Tonto-Sitgreaves National Forest boundary; easterly along this boundary to Tonto Creek; southerly along the east fork of Tonto Creek to the spring box, north of the Tonto Creek Hatchery, and continuing southerly

along Tonto Creek to the Salt River; westerly along the Salt River to the Verde River; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Tonto Apache Tribe and the Fort McDowell Mohave-Apache Community.

Unit 23 -- Beginning at the confluence of Tonto Creek and the Salt River; northerly along Tonto Creek to the spring box, north of the Tonto Creek Hatchery, on Tonto Creek; northeasterly along the east fork of Tonto Creek to the Tonto-Sitgreaves National Forest boundary along the Mogollon Rim; east along this boundary to the ~~Fort~~ White Mountain Apache Indian Reservation boundary; southerly along the reservation boundary to the Salt River; westerly along the Salt River to Tonto Creek.

Unit 24A -- Beginning on AZ Hwy 177 in Superior; southeasterly on AZ Hwy 177 to the Gila River; northeasterly along the Gila River to the San Carlos Indian Reservation boundary; easterly, westerly and northerly along the reservation boundary to the Salt River; southwesterly along the Salt River to AZ Hwy 288; southerly on AZ Hwys 288 and ~~88~~ 188 to U.S. Hwy 60; southwesterly on U.S. Hwy 60 to AZ Hwy 177.

Unit 24B -- Beginning on U.S. Hwy 60 in Superior; northeasterly on U.S. Hwy 60 to AZ Hwy ~~88~~ 188; northerly on AZ Hwys ~~88~~ 188 and 288 to the Salt River; westerly along the Salt River ~~to Bush Hwy at the Blue Point Bridge; westerly on Bush Hwy to the Usery Pass Rd. (Ellsworth Rd.); southerly on the Usery Pass Rd. to~~ the Tonto National Forest Boundary near Granite Reef Dam; southeasterly along Forest boundary to Forest Route 77 (Peralta Rd.); southwesterly on Forest Route 77 (Peralta Rd.) to U.S. Hwy 60; easterly on U.S. Hwy 60 to Superior.

~~Unit 25M -- Beginning at 115th Ave. and the Gila River; easterly to the western boundary of the Gila Indian Reservation; southeasterly along the reservation boundary in AZ Hwy 347 (Maricopa Rd.); south on AZ Hwy 347 (Maricopa Rd.) to AZ Hwy 84; east on AZ Hwy 84 to Stanfield; south on the Stanfield Cocklebur Rd. to the Tohono O'odham (Papago) Indian Reservation; easterly along the reservation boundary to Battaglia Rd.; east on Battaglia Rd. to Toltec Rd.; north on Toltec Rd. to I-10 (Exit 203); southeasterly on I-10 to AZ Hwy 87 (Exit 211); north on AZ Hwy 87 to AZ Hwy 287 north of Coolidge; east on AZ Hwy 287 to AZ Hwy 79; north on AZ Hwy 79 to U.S. Hwy 60; northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 60 to the Meridian Extension (Maricopa Pinal County Line); south on the Meridian Extension (Maricopa Pinal County Line) to Empire Blvd.; west on Empire Blvd. to the Gila Indian Reservation boundary; north and west along the Gila River Indian Reservation boundary to 115th Ave; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Gila River Indian Community and the Ak Chin Indian Community.~~

Unit 25M -- Beginning at the junction of 51st Ave. and I-10; west on I-10 to AZ Loop 303, northeasterly on AZ Loop 303 to I-17; north on I-17 to Carefree Hwy; east on Carefree Hwy to Cave Creek Rd.; northeasterly on Cave Creek Rd. to the Tonto National Forest Boundary; easterly and southerly along the Tonto National Forest Boundary to Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation boundary; northeasterly along the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation Boundary to the Verde River; southerly along the Verde River to the Salt River; southwesterly along the Salt River to the Tonto National Forest boundary; southerly along the Tonto National Forest boundary to Bush Hwy/Power Rd.; southerly on Bush Hwy/Power Rd to AZ Loop 202;

easterly, southerly, and westerly on AZ Loop 202 to the intersection of Pecos Rd. at I-10; west on Pecos Rd. to the Gila River Indian Community boundary; northwesterly along the Gila River Indian Community boundary to 51st Ave; northerly on 51st Ave to I-10; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands

~~Unit 26M -- Beginning at the junction of I 17 and New River Rd. (Exit 232); west on New River Rd. to AZ Hwy 74; west on AZ Hwy 74 to the junction with U.S. Hwy 93; southeasterly on U.S. Hwy 93 to the Beardsley Canal; southwesterly along the Beardsley Canal to Indian School Rd.; west on Indian School Rd. to Jackrabbit Trail; south on Jackrabbit Trail to I 10 (Exit 121); west on I 10 to Oglesby Rd. (Exit 112); south on Oglesby Rd. to AZ Hwy 85; south on AZ Hwy 85 to the Gila River; east along the Gila River to 115th Ave.; north on 115th Ave. to I 10; west along I 10 to Litchfield Rd.; north on Litchfield Rd. to Bell Rd.; east on Bell Rd. to the New River; north along the New River to the Carefree Hwy; east along Carefree Hwy to Cave Creek Rd.; northeast along Cave Creek Rd. to Pima Rd.; south on Pima Rd. to Loop 101; south on loop 101 to the Salt River; easterly along the Salt River to the Tonto National Forest boundary; southeasterly to Usery Pass Rd.; north on Usery Pass Rd. to Bush Hwy; easterly on Bush Hwy to the Salt River at the Blue Point Bridge; westerly along the Slat River to the Verde River; northerly along the Verde River to the Tonto National Forest boundary; northwesterly along this boundary to Fig Springs Rd.; southwesterly on Fig Springs Rd.; west to New River Rd. to I 17 (Exit 232); except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community and the Fort McDowell Mohave Apache Community.~~

Unit 26M -- Beginning at the junction of I-17 and New River Rd. (Exit 232); southwesterly on New River Rd. to AZ Hwy 74; westerly on AZ Hwy 74 to U.S. Hwy 93; southeasterly on U.S. Hwy 93 to the Beardsley Canal; southwesterly on the Beardsley Canal to Indian School Rd; west on Indian School Rd. to Jackrabbit Trail; south on Jackrabbit Trail to I-10 (Exit 121); west on I-10 to Oglesby Rd (Exit 112); south on Oglesby Rd. to AZ Hwy 85; south on AZ Hwy 85 to the Gila River; northeasterly along the Gila River to the Gila River Indian Community boundary; southeasterly along the Gila River Indian Community boundary to AZ Hwy 347 (Maricopa Rd.); south on AZ Hwy 347 (Maricopa Rd.) to AZ Hwy 84; east on AZ Hwy 84 to Stanfield; south on the Stanfield-Cocklebur Rd. to the Tohono O'odham Nation boundary; easterly along the Tohono O'odham Nation boundary to Battaglia Rd.; east on Battaglia Rd. to Toltec Rd.; north on Toltec Rd. to I-10 (Exit 203); southeasterly on I-10 to AZ Hwy 87 (Exit 211); north on AZ Hwy 87 to AZ Hwy 287 north of Coolidge; east on AZ Hwy 287 to AZ Hwy 79; north on AZ Hwy 79 to U.S. Hwy 60; northwesterly on U.S. Highway 60 to Peralta Rd.; northeasterly along Peralta Rd. to the Tonto National Forest boundary; northwesterly along the Tonto National Forest boundary to the Salt River; northeasterly along the Salt River to the Verde River; northerly along the Verde River to the Tonto National Forest Boundary; northwesterly along the Tonto National Forest boundary to Fig Springs Rd.; southwesterly on Fig Springs Rd. to New River Road; west on New River Road to I-17 (Exit 232); except Unit 25M and those portions that are sovereign tribal lands.

Unit 27 -- Beginning at the New Mexico state line and AZ Hwy 78; southwest on AZ Hwy 78 to U.S. Hwy 191; north on U.S. Hwy 191 to San Carlos Morenci Clifton Lower Eagle Creek Rd. (Pump Station Rd.); west on

~~San Carlos-Morenci-Clifton~~ the Lower Eagle Creek Rd. (Pump Station Rd.) to Eagle Creek; north along Eagle Creek to the San Carlos Apache Indian Reservation boundary; north along the San Carlos Apache Indian Reservation boundary to Black River; northeast along Black River to the East Fork of Black River; northeast along the East Fork of Black River to Three Forks-Williams Valley-Alpine Rd. (FR 249); easterly along Three Forks-Williams Valley-Alpine Rd. to U.S. Hwy 180; southeast on U.S. Hwy 180 to the New Mexico state line; south along the New Mexico state line to AZ Hwy 78.

Unit 28 - Beginning at I-10 and the New Mexico state line; north along the state line to AZ Hwy 78; southwest on AZ Hwy 78 to U.S. Hwy 191; northwest on U.S. Hwy 191 to Clifton; westerly on the ~~Clifton-Morenci-San Carlos~~ the Lower Eagle Creek Rd. (Pump Station Rd.) to Eagle Creek; northerly along Eagle Creek to the San Carlos Indian Reservation boundary; southerly and west along the reservation boundary to U.S. Hwy 70; southeast on U.S. Hwy 70 to U.S. Hwy 191; south on U.S. Hwy 191 to I-10 Exit 352; easterly on I-10 to the New Mexico state line.

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Unit 35A -- Beginning on the U.S.-Mexico border at the San Pedro River; west along the border to ~~the Lochiel-Canelo Pass-Elgin~~ Lochiel Rd.; north ~~on the Lochiel-Canelo Pass-Elgin~~ on Lochiel Rd. to Patagonia San Rafael Rd. north on the Patagonia San Rafael Rd. to San Rafael Valley-FS 58 Rd.; north on the San Rafael Valley-FS 58 Rd. to Christian Ln.; north on the Christian Ln. to Ranch Rd.; east and north on the Ranch Rd. to FR 799-Canelo Pass Rd.; northeasterly on the FR 799-Canelo Pass Rd. to State Hwy 83; northwesterly on the State Hwy 83 to Elgin Canelo Rd.; northeasterly on the Elgin-Canelo Rd. to Upper Elgin Rd.; north on the Upper Elgin Rd. to AZ Hwy 82; easterly on AZ Hwy 82 to the San Pedro River; south along the San Pedro River to the U.S.-Mexico border.

Unit 35B - Beginning at Grand Avenue (U.S. Hwy 89) at the U.S.-Mexico border in Nogales; east along the U.S.-Mexico border to ~~the Lochiel-Canelo Pass-Elgin~~ Lochiel Rd.; north on the ~~Lochiel-Canelo Pass-Elgin~~ Lochiel Rd. to Patagonia San Rafael Rd.; north on the Patagonia San Rafael Rd. to San Rafael Valley-FS 58 Rd.; north on the San Rafael Valley-FS 58 Rd. to Christian Ln.; north on the Christian Ln. to Ranch Rd.; east and north on the Ranch Rd. to FR 799-Canelo Pass Rd.; northeasterly on FR 799-Canelo Pass Rd. to State Hwy 83; northwesterly on the Hwy 83 to Elgin Canelo Rd.; north on the Elgin Canelo Rd. to Upper Elgin Rd.; north on the Upper Elgin Rd. to AZ Hwy 82; southwest on AZ Hwy 82 to Grand Avenue; southwest on Grand Avenue to the U.S.-Mexico border.

Unit 36A - Beginning at the junction of Sandario Rd. and AZ Hwy 86; southwest on AZ Hwy 86 to AZ

Hwy 286; southerly on AZ Hwy 286 to the ~~Arivaca~~ Arivaca-Sasabe Rd.; ~~easterly~~ southeasterly on the ~~Arivaca~~ Arivaca-Sasabe Rd. to the town of Arivaca; from the town of Arivaca northeasterly on the Arivaca Rd. to I-19; north on I-19 to the southern boundary of the San Xavier Indian Reservation boundary; westerly and northerly along the reservation boundary to the Sandario road alignment; north on Sandario Rd. to AZ Hwy 86.

Unit 36B - Beginning at I-19 and Grand Avenue (U.S. Hwy 89) in Nogales; southwest on Grand Avenue to the U.S.-Mexico border; west along the U.S.-Mexico border to AZ Hwy 286; north on AZ Hwy 286 to the ~~Arivaca~~ Arivaca-Sasabe Rd.; ~~east~~ southeasterly on the ~~Arivaca~~ Arivaca-Sasabe Rd. to the town of Arivaca; from the town of Arivaca northeasterly on the Arivaca Rd. to I-19; south on I-19 to Grand Avenue (U.S. Hwy 89).

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Unit 39 - Beginning at AZ Hwy 85 and the Gila River; east along the Gila River to the western boundary of the Gila River Indian Reservation; southeasterly along the reservation boundary to AZ Hwy 347 (~~Maricopa Rd.~~ John Wayne Parkway); south on AZ Hwy 347 (~~Maricopa Rd.~~ John Wayne Parkway) to AZ Hwy 84; east on AZ Hwy 84 to Stanfield; south on the Stanfield-Cocklebur Rd. to I-8; westerly on I-8 to Exit 87; northerly on the Agua Caliente Rd. to the Hyder Rd.; northeasterly on Hyder Rd. to 555th Ave.; north on 555th Ave. to Lahman Rd.; east on Lahman Rd., which becomes Agua Caliente Rd.; northeasterly on Agua Caliente Rd. to Old Hwy 80; northeasterly on Old Hwy 80 to Arizona Hwy 85; southerly on AZ Hwy 85 to the Gila River; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Tohono O'odham Nation and the Ak-Chin Indian Community.

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Unit 43A -- Beginning at AZ Hwy 95 and the Bill Williams River; west along the Bill Williams River to the Arizona-California state line; southerly to the south end of Cibola Lake; northerly and easterly on the Cibola Lake Rd. to U.S. Hwy 95; south on U.S. Hwy 95 to the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd.; east along the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. to the west boundary of the Kofa National Wildlife Refuge; northerly along the refuge boundary to the Crystal Hill Rd. (Blevens Rd.); northwesterly on the Crystal Hill Rd. (Blevens Rd.) to U.S. Hwy 95; northerly on U.S. Hwy 95 to the Bill Williams River; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Colorado River Indian Tribes.

No change

Unit 44A -- Beginning at U.S. Hwy 95 and the Bill Williams River; south along U.S. Hwy 95 to AZ Hwy 72; southeasterly on AZ Hwy 72 to Vicksburg; south on the Vicksburg-Kofa National Wildlife Refuge Rd. to I-

10; easterly on I-10 to the Salome-Hassayampa Rd. (Exit 81); northwesterly on the Salome-Hassayampa Rd. to Eagle Eye Rd.; northeasterly on Eagle Eye Rd. to Aguila; east on U.S. Hwy 60 to AZ Hwy 71; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 71 to U.S. Hwy 93; northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 93 to the Santa Maria River; westerly along the Santa Maria and Bill Williams rivers to U.S. Hwy 95; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Colorado River Indian Tribes.

Unit 44B - Beginning at ~~Quartzite~~ Quartzsite; south on U.S. Hwy 95 to the Crystal Hill Rd. (Blevens Rd.); east on the Crystal Hill Rd. (Blevens Rd.) to the Kofa National Wildlife Refuge; north and east along the refuge boundary to the Vicksburg-Kofa National Wildlife Refuge Rd.; north on the Vicksburg-Kofa National Wildlife Refuge Rd. to AZ Hwy 72; northwest on AZ Hwy 72 to U.S. Hwy 95; south on U.S. Hwy 95 to Quartzite Quartzsite.

Unit 45A -- Beginning at the junction of the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.) and Kofa National Wildlife Refuge boundary; east on the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.) to O-O Junction; north from O-O Junction on the Kofa Mine Rd. to the Evening Star Mine; north on a line over Polaris Mountain to Midwell-Alamo Spring-Kofa Cabin Rd. (Wilbanks Rd.); north on the Midwell-Alamo Spring-Kofa Cabin Rd. (Wilbanks Rd.) to the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline Rd.; north on a line from the junction to the north boundary of the Kofa National Wildlife Refuge; west and south on the boundary line to Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd.

Unit 45B -- Beginning at O-O Junction; north from O-O Junction on the Kofa Mine Rd. to the Evening Star Mine; north on a line over Polaris Mountain to Midwell-Alamo Spring-Kofa Cabin Rd. (Wilbanks Rd.); north on the Midwell-Alamo Spring-Kofa Cabin Rd. (Wilbanks Rd.) to the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline Rd.; north on a line from the junction to the north Kofa National Wildlife Refuge boundary; east to the east refuge boundary; south and west along the Kofa National Wildlife Refuge boundary to the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd.; north and west on the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (Wellton Kofa Rd./Ave 40E) to O-O Junction.

Unit 45C -- Beginning at the junction of the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.) and Kofa National Wildlife Refuge; south, east, and north along the refuge boundary to the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.); north and west on the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.) to the junction of the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.) and Kofa National Wildlife Refuge boundary.

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~~Unit 47M -- Beginning at the junction of I-17 and the Carefree Hwy; east along the Carefree Hwy to Cave Creek Rd.; northeast along Cave Creek Rd. to Pima Rd.; south on Pima Rd. to Loop 101; south on Loop 101 to the Salt River; easterly along the Salt River to the Tonto National Forest boundary; northeasterly to the Tonto National Forest boundary; southeasterly along the Forest boundary to Forest Rd. 77 (Peralta Rd.); southwesterly on Forest Road 77 (Peralta Rd.) to U.S. Hwy 60; northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 60; to the Meridian Extension (Maricopa Pinal County Line); south on the Meridian Extension (Maricopa Pinal County Line) to Empire Blvd.; west on Empire Blvd. to the Gila River Indian Reservation boundary; north~~

~~and west along the Gila River; west along the Gila River to 115th Ave.; north on 115th Ave. to I 10; west along I 10 to Litchfield Rd.; north on Litchfield Rd. to Bell Rd.; east on Bell Rd. to the New River; north along the New River to the Carefree Hwy; east along Carefree Hwy to I 17.~~

~~D. This Section is effective July 1, 2006.~~

ARTICLE 3 TAKING AND HANDLING OF WILDLIFE

R12-4-301. Definitions

In addition to the definitions provided under A.R.S. § 17-101, the following definitions apply to this Article unless otherwise specified:

“Dip net” means any net, excluding the handle, that is no greater than three feet in the greatest dimension that is hand-held, non-motorized, and the motion of the net is caused by the physical effort of the individual.

“Personal protection handgun” means a handgun with a barrel length of six inches or less that does not have a scope or any type of electronic sight.

R12-4-318. Seasons for Lawfully Taking Wild Mammals, Birds, and Reptiles

- A. Methods of lawfully taking wild mammals and birds during seasons designated by Commission ~~order~~ Order as “general” seasons are designated ~~in under~~ under R12-4-304. ~~Restrictions designated in subsection (C) do not apply to general seasons.~~
- B. Methods of lawfully taking big game during seasons designated by Commission ~~order~~ Order as “special” are designated ~~in under~~ under R12-4-304. “Special” seasons are open only to individuals who possess special big game license tags ~~issued~~ authorized under A.R.S. § 17-346 and R12-4-120.
- C. When designated by Commission ~~order~~ Order, the following seasons have specific requirements and lawful methods of take more restrictive than those for general and special seasons, as prescribed in this Section. Individuals participating in seasons designated under subsections (C)(5) through (C)(14) may possess a personal protection handgun, as defined under R12-4-301, for personal protection. Except as authorized under A.R.S. Section 17-301.01, it is unlawful to take any wildlife with this handgun. While taking the species authorized by the season:
- ~~1. An individual participating in a “muzzleloader” season shall not use or possess any firearm other than muzzle loading rifles or muzzle loading handguns, as defined under R12 4 101. Individuals participating in a “muzzleloader” season may possess a non hunting handgun for personal protection. It is unlawful to take any wildlife with this handgun while participating in a “muzzleloader” season. For the purposes of this Section, a non hunting handgun is defined as a handgun with a barrel length of six inches or less that does not have a scope or any type of electronic sight.~~
 - ~~2. An individual participating in an “archery only” season may only use or possess a bow and arrow as prescribed under R12 4 304 and shall not use or possess any other weapons, including crossbows or bows with a device that holds the bow in a drawn position except as authorized under R12 4 216. Individuals~~

participating in an “archery only” season may possess a non hunting handgun for personal protection. It is unlawful to take any wildlife with this handgun while participating in an “archery only” season. For the purposes of this Section, a non hunting handgun is defined as a handgun with a barrel length of six inches or less that does not have a scope or any type of electronic sight.

3. An individual participating in a “handgun, archery, and muzzleloader (HAM)” season may only use or possess any or all of the following: handguns, muzzle loading rifles as defined in R12-4-101, crossbows, and bows and arrows as prescribed in R12-4-304.
4. An individual who possesses a valid tag for a bear season between January 1 and July 31 shall not use dogs to take bear.
5. An individual participating in a “pursuit only” season may use dogs to pursue bears, mountain lions, or raccoons as designated by Commission order, but shall not kill or capture the quarry. An individual participating in a “pursuit only” season shall possess and, at the request of Department personnel, produce a valid hunting license and any required tag for taking the animal pursued, even though there shall be no kill.
6. An individual participating in a “limited weapon” season may only use or possess the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, when authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - a. Any trap except foothold steel traps,
 - b. Bow and arrow,
 - c. Capture by hand,
 - d. Crossbow,
 - e. Falconry,
 - f. Hand propelled projectiles,
 - g. Nets,
 - h. Pneumatic weapons, or
 - i. Slingshots.
7. An individual participating in a “limited weapon shotgun” season may only use or possess the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, when authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - a. Any trap except foothold steel traps,
 - b. Bow and arrow,
 - c. Capture by hand,
 - d. Crossbow,
 - e. Falconry,
 - f. Hand propelled projectiles,
 - g. Nets,
 - h. Pneumatic weapons,
 - i. Shotgun shooting shot or slug, or
 - j. Slingshots.

8. ~~An individual participating in a “limited weapon shotgun shooting shot” season may only use or possess the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, when authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:~~
- ~~a. Any trap except foothold steel traps,~~
 - ~~b. Bow and arrow,~~
 - ~~c. Capture by hand,~~
 - ~~d. Crossbow,~~
 - ~~e. Falconry,~~
 - ~~f. Hand propelled projectiles,~~
 - ~~g. Nets,~~
 - ~~h. Pneumatic weapons,~~
 - ~~i. Shotgun shooting shot, or~~
 - ~~j. Slingshots.~~
9. ~~An individual participating in a “limited weapon rimfire” season may only use or possess the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, when authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:~~
- ~~a. Any trap except foothold steel traps,~~
 - ~~b. Bow and arrow,~~
 - ~~c. Capture by hand,~~
 - ~~d. Crossbow,~~
 - ~~e. Falconry,~~
 - ~~f. Hand propelled projectiles,~~
 - ~~g. Nets,~~
 - ~~h. Pneumatic weapons,~~
 - ~~i. Rifled firearms using rimfire cartridges,~~
 - ~~j. Shotgun shooting shot or slug, or~~
 - ~~k. Slingshots.~~
10. ~~An individual participating in a “falconry only” season shall be a falconer either licensed under R12-4-422 or exempted under R12-4-407, and use no method of take except falconry.~~
11. ~~An individual may participate in a “juniors only hunt” up to and throughout the calendar year of the individual’s 17th birthday, provided the individual meets the requirements prescribed under A.R.S. § 17-335.~~
12. ~~An individual participating in a “CHAMP” season shall be a challenged hunter access/mobility permittee under R12-4-217.~~
13. ~~An individual participating in a “raptor capture” season shall be a falconer licensed under R12-4-422 unless exempt under R12-4-407.~~
1. An individual participating in a “CHAMP” season shall be a challenged hunter access/mobility permit holder as established under R12-4-217.

2. An individual under the age of 18 who meets the requirements prescribed under A.R.S. § 17-335 may participate in a “juniors-only hunt.” A youth hunter whose 18th birthday occurs during a “juniors-only hunt” for which they have a valid permit or tag may continue to participate for the duration of that “juniors-only hunt.”
3. An individual participating in a “pursuit-only” season may use dogs to pursue bears, mountain lions, or raccoons as designated by Commission Order, but shall not kill or capture the quarry. An individual participating in a “pursuit-only” season shall possess and, at the request of Department personnel, produce a valid hunting license and any required tag for taking the animal pursued, even though there shall be no kill.
4. An individual participating in a “restricted season” may use any lawful method authorized for a specific species under R12-4-304, except dogs may not be used to pursue the wildlife for which the season was established.
5. An individual participating in an “archery-only” season shall not use or possess any other weapons, including crossbows or bows with a device that holds the bow in a drawn position except as authorized under R12-4-216. An individual participating in an “archery-only” season may only use or possess the following:
 - a. Bows and arrows as prescribed under R12-4-304, and
 - b. Falconry.
6. An individual participating in a “handgun, archery, and muzzleloader (HAM)” season may only use or possess any or all of the following:
 - a. Bows and arrows as prescribed under R12-4-304,
 - b. Crossbows as prescribed under R12-4-304 or bows to be drawn and held with an assisting device,
 - c. Handguns, and
 - d. Muzzle-loading rifles as defined under R12-4-101.
7. An individual participating in a “muzzleloader” season shall not use or possess any firearm other than muzzle-loading rifles or muzzle-loading handguns, as defined under R12-4-101.
8. An individual participating in a “limited weapon” season may only use or possess the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, when authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - a. Any trap except foothold traps,
 - b. Bow and arrow,
 - c. Capture by hand,
 - d. Crossbows as prescribed under R12-4-304 or bows to be drawn and held with an assisting device,
 - e. Dogs,
 - f. Falconry,
 - g. Hand-propelled projectiles,
 - h. Nets,
 - i. Pneumatic weapons, or

- j. Slingshots.
- 9. An individual participating in a “limited weapon hand or hand-held implement” season may only use or possess the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, when prescribed under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - a. Catch-pole.
 - b. Hand.
 - c. Snake hook, or
 - d. Snake tongs.
- 10. An individual participating in a “limited weapon-pneumatic” season may only use or possess the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, when prescribed under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - a. Capture by hand.
 - b. Dogs.
 - c. Falconry.
 - d. Hand-propelled projectiles.
 - e. Nets.
 - f. Pneumatic weapons discharging a single projectile .22 caliber or smaller, or
 - g. Slingshots.
- 11. An individual participating in a “limited weapon-rimfire” season may only use or possess the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, when authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - a. Any trap except foothold traps.
 - b. Bow and arrow.
 - c. Capture by hand.
 - d. Crossbows as prescribed under R12-4-304 or bows to be drawn and held with an assisting device.
 - e. Dogs.
 - f. Falconry.
 - g. Hand-propelled projectiles.
 - h. Nets.
 - i. Pneumatic weapons.
 - j. Rifled firearms using rimfire cartridges.
 - k. Shotgun shooting shot or slug, or
 - l. Slingshots.
- 12. An individual participating in a “limited weapon-shotgun” season may only use or possess the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, when authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - a. Any trap except foothold traps.
 - b. Bow and arrow.
 - c. Capture by hand.
 - d. Crossbows as prescribed under R12-4-304 or bows to be drawn and held with an assisting device.

- e. Dogs.
 - f. Falconry.
 - g. Hand-propelled projectiles.
 - h. Nets.
 - i. Pneumatic weapons.
 - j. Shotgun shooting shot or slug, or
 - k. Slingshots.
13. An individual participating in a “limited weapon-shotgun shooting shot” season may only use or possess the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, when authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
- a. Any trap except foothold traps.
 - b. Bow and arrow.
 - c. Capture by hand.
 - d. Crossbows as prescribed under R12-4-304 or bows to be drawn and held with an assisting device.
 - e. Dogs.
 - f. Falconry.
 - g. Hand-propelled projectiles.
 - h. Nets.
 - i. Pneumatic weapons.
 - j. Shotgun shooting shot, or
 - k. Slingshots.
14. An individual participating in a “falconry-only” season shall be a falconer licensed under R12-4-422 unless exempt under A.R.S. § 17-236(C) or R12-4-407. A falconer participating in a “falconry-only” season shall use no other method of take except falconry.
15. An individual participating in a “raptor capture” season shall be a falconer licensed under R12-4-422 unless exempt under R12-4-407.

R12-4-321. Restrictions for Taking Wildlife in City Parks, City Preserves, Maricopa County Parks, and County Preserves

- A.** ~~Lands and water within the boundaries of all Maricopa County parks are open to hunting and trapping when a Commission order establishes an open season. Individuals may use only the following methods of take:~~
- 1. ~~Archery hunting, when lawful for the wildlife taken under R12 4 304.~~
 - 2. ~~Shotguns shooting shot, when taking small game, predatory, furbearing, and nongame animals during quail season in Lake Pleasant, White Tank Mountains, McDowell Mountain, and Estrella Mountain regional park, subject to subsection (F).~~
- B.** ~~An individual is prohibited from using rifled firearms within all Maricopa County parks except to take deer during deer seasons established by Commission order with concurrence of the Maricopa County Recreation~~

~~Services Department.~~

- ~~C. An individual shall not trap within any Maricopa County park except under the provisions of A.R.S. § 17-239, or when the Maricopa County Recreation Services Department and the Arizona Game and Fish Department determine that wildlife numbers need to be reduced in a park area because of a danger to the public or other wildlife.~~
- ~~D. An individual shall not hunt within 1/4 mile of any developed picnic area, boat ramp, shooting range, golf course, or other recreational area developed for public use.~~
- ~~E. Individuals entering any Maricopa County park for the purpose of hunting shall declare their intention of hunting and pay any fees required by Maricopa County Recreation Services Department at an entry station when entering the park, if the park has an entry station in operation.~~
- ~~F. This rule does not authorize an individual to use a method of take that is prohibited by a city ordinance.~~
- A. All city and county parks and preserves are closed to hunting, unless open by Commission Order.
- B. Unless otherwise provided under Commission Order or rule, a city or county may:
 - 1. Prohibit any individual from hunting or trapping within 1/4 mile of any:
 - a. Developed picnic area.
 - b. Developed campground.
 - c. Boat ramp.
 - d. Shooting range.
 - e. Occupied structure, or
 - f. Golf course.
 - 2. Require an individual entering a city or county park or preserve, for the purpose of hunting, to declare the individual's intent to hunt when entering the park, if the park has an entry station in operation.
 - 3. Allow an individual to take wildlife in a city park only during the posted city park hours.